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SUBJECT: SWAZILAND'S PLANNED SHIPMENTS OF SUGAR TO
THE U.S. IN 1975

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1. SUGAR INDUSTRY OFFICIAL ESTIMATES SWAZILAND WILL SHIP
30,000 TONS OF SUGAR TO THE U.S. IN 1975. FIRST SHIPMENT
OF 15,000 TONS IS PLANNED FOR JUNE; SECOND SHIPMENT OF ABOUT THE
SAME SIZE IS PLANNED FOR OCTOBER.

2. SWAZILAND HAS TRADITIONALLY BEEN INTERESTED IN
STRENGTHENING ITS POSITION IN THE U.S. MARKET AND SUGAR
INDUSTRY OFFICIALS ARE NOW CONSIDERING TRYING TO WORK OUT
A FIVE-YEAR AGREEMENT WITH A U.S. REFINER. PETER SMITH,
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE SWAZILAND SUGAR ASSOCIATION,
EXPECTS TO VISIT THE U.S. IN MARCH 1975 TO EXPLORE THIS
POSSIBILITY.

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3. SWAZI SUGAR EXPORTS TO EEC (INCLUDING U.K.) WERE

84,000 TONS IN 1974. THIS FIGURE MAY RISE 120,000 TONS IN 1975,
DEPENDING ON OUTCOME OF CURRENT NEGOTIATIONS. IF GOS
DECIDES TO SHIP LESS THAN THIS AMOUNT TO EEC, MORE COULD
BE AVAILABLE FOR THE U.S. MARKET.
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